REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the thorough consideration given to the present application. Applicants acknowledge that claims 1-8 are allowed.

By this Amendment, the specification is amended to include a "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" heading on page 4, after line 24. The paragraph at page 4, lines 24-29, describes the sole figure in the present application.

Claims 1-3 and 8 are amended to address the issues noted in the Office Action in the manner agreed upon during a telephone conference with the Examiner on January 4, 2005. These changes render moot the objection to claim 8 and rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, favorable reconsideration and allowance are deemed in order, and such action is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary during prosecution of the present application, Applicants hereby request any required extension of time not otherwise requested and hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge any required fees not otherwise provided for, including

application processing, extension of time, and extra claims fees, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.

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IN THE DRAWINGS:

Attached is a copy of the drawing filed with the present application as FIG. 1.